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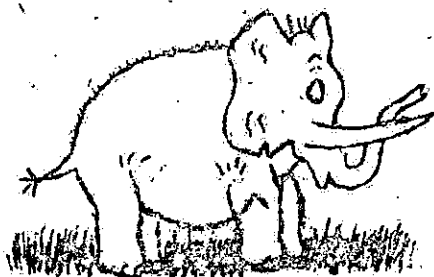
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"HAVING ESCAPED A
plane crash that
killed 2 of his crew-
mates in N. Africa,
Pfc John Hanley of
the APO is resting at
his home, 1571 New
Scotland Rd, Slingerlands, N.Y.

"Pfc Hanley, who was a flier before the
war, was crew chief when the plane crash-
ed...With badly injured legs and eyes, Pfc
Hanley admits he was lucky to get away
with his life.

"A pet leopard cub was caught in the cage
but because he was so vicious he had
to be turned back...we used to see lots of
snakes over 15 feet long...I was the only
one who didn't get malaria...

"After 3 months at the base hospital, he
is home for a 30 day convalescent leave
and expects to go back into service in
July."

---The above item appeared in the Knicker-
bocker News, Albany, N.Y., June 21. Pfc
Hanley was in Rep 2, and spent most of his
African service in the hospital at this
base. He was shipped home for further hos-
pitalization. Please don't confuse Pfc
Hanley with T/Sgt John Hanley, Sup 2, a
man who doesn't draw the long bow.

THREE MORE ENTRIES for the Miss Rockville
contest are: Mrs Gladys Wishart, wife of
S/Sgt John V Wishart, Rep 2, of Detroit;
Miss Irene Fried, of Assumption, Ill.,
friend of S/Sgt Charles C King, Hq, of
Shelbyville, Ill.; Miss Etta Jane Martin,
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Only 6 more days left for entries. The
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Ding-Hau 11-5. (There is an ugly rumor
that the Cooks on the Men in White team
gave the Ding-Haus half rations, to
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WAITING FOR OWNERS are these items found
in the Laundry: Khaki shirt, 15-32; khak-
pants, 30-30, #W-3978; 3 pr wool sox; 3
pr cotton sox; 2 undershirts, #9812.

LOST: Brown leather billfold, containin-
money order and 5 L, and souvenir coins
Reward, Sgt Norman E Williams, Ser Sq.

PLEASE RETURN coca-cola bottles to the
PX. The supply is being held up for
want of bottles.

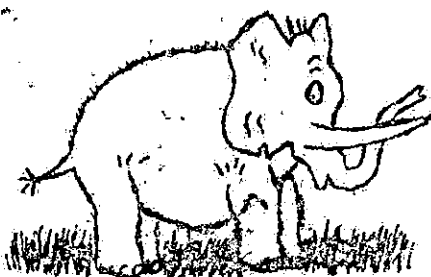
SICILY: The Allied advance continued, and now threatens the road to Messina, Allied troops being now within 5 miles of Adrano. Capture of this place would punch a breach in the right flank of the enemy's front. Yesterday's successes were described in more detail by the SSD news: The German line around Mt Etna was breached by Canadian troops occupying the center of the front. They took Regalbuto and joined the British 8th Army in pounding the Catania Plain. The Axis right flank then crumbled under attacks by the US 7th Army, which captured the Axis strongholds of Cerami and Capizzi, and then stormed and took Troina. The 8th took Centuripi 5 miles southeast of Regalbuto after fierce street fighting... Reggio de Calabria, on the Messina straits opposite Messina, was bombed by RAF Halifaxes and Liberators, large fires being started...

RUSSIA: Moscow reports signs of the Germans cracking on the Orel front, and adds that the Nazis are in full and nasty retreat. The Russians are now 5 miles from Orel, and the escape corridor from the Orel salient has been narrowed to 13 miles. The Russians are using the German blitzkrieg tactics of bypassing German strongholds with forces of motorized infantry, and then cleaning up the pockets of German resistance; they have used this tactic especially at night. The Russians claim continued air control...

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC: Americans forces have squeezed the Jap defenders of Munda into an area 4 square miles. Allied forces have reached a point on the eastern end of the airfield while another unit has gained positions on the slopes of a hill 1½ miles inland to the northeast. The Japs still hold the crest of the hill. In the Bairoka area, Jap resistance has stiffened, and the Americans have made no progress there... Allied planes knocked out 29 Jap barges yesterday, bringing the total in the past 10 days to 200 sunk or crippled. Some of these are 145 feet long and may have been used as troop carriers. An Allied heavy bomber on reconnaissance damaged 2 enemy vessels which are believed to be destroyers...

EUROPE: The British Air Minister said that the area in Hamburg devastated by Allied bombing is 7 times greater than the devastated area in London devastated by Nazi bombers. A Danish consular official was quoted as saying that more than 200,000 lost their lives in the bombing of Hamburg... British escort vessels and planes sank 2 and possibly 3 U-boats, and foiled an attack by a pack of 25 to 30 U-boats on a big Allied convoy. The defense of the convoy was so successful the U-boats were unable to launch their attack... At Istanbul, Turkey, an eyewitness of the Allied aerial attack on Ploesti, Rumania, said that Germans and Rumanians were still fighting the fires in the Ploesti oil fields... Lt Col Cass S Hough, USAAF, received the DFC for flying faster than the speed of sound, over 780 miles an hour. Col Hough made 2 record dives, once taking a P-38 from 43,000 feet in a power dive for almost 5 miles before levelling off, then taking a P-47 from 39,000 feet to 18,000 feet. Speeds of the dives is a military secret, but they were faster than the speed of light...

UNITED STATES: A Flying Fortress on a flight from North Africa to Naples will use enough gas on a single trip to drive a small car almost 20,000 miles at 18 mph, a Senate Committee was told by Dr R R Sayers, Director of the US Bureau of Mines, when he urged development of synthetic fuel supplies by the government... Shell Oil Co has developed a new light weight portable steel pipe line, of steel so flexible it can be bent around trees. It will be used to pipe oil and water to advancing troops... One of the Washington's swankiest hotels, the Shoreham, will raise 4,000 chicks in one of its buildings formerly used for teaching Shakespearean drama. When the chicks get big, they will be moved to the hotel's Maryland farm... The ice shortage in Shreveport, La, is so acute that it is being rationed at the rate of 12½ lbs per person per day. The city is also having a beer famine... The Nazi pilot, Lt Hans Peter Krug, who escaped from a Canadian prison camp and was sheltered in Detroit by Max Stephan, now serving a life term for treason, has escaped again, this time in a pair of swimming trunks, while swimming...



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SHORTAGE OF SPACE yesterday kept us from crediting the boys who made the donuts for Tuesday's Bingo Party. Two cooks, Cpl Douglas, Hq and Sgt Lark, QM, worked in their free time, with these volunteer KPs: Cpl Dawson, Rep; Pfc Davis, Ser; Pfc Ketterer, Ser; Sgt Miller, Rep; Cpl Till, Rep and Cpl Hutchenreuther, Rep 2.

YESTERDAY'S SSD NEWS reported that Lt Col Hough made two power dives, taking a P-38 from 43,000 ft for 5 miles, and a P-47 from 39,000 to 18,000 ft. According to the SSD news, "exact speeds of both dives are military secret though it can be revealed that they were faster than speed of light." Evidently this was meant to read "speed of sound," which is approximately 809 mph; the speed of light is 186,000 mps. The 1943 World Almanac gives the speed record for level flight as 469 mph, made by Fritz Wendel, Germany, in 1939.

ANOTHER QUESTION raised was about the number of people killed in the Hamburg raids. A Danish Consular official, according to SSD news, estimated that 200,000 people had been killed in Hamburg. The 1943 Almanac gives Hamburg's population as 1,682,220, which would mean 11% had been killed. In the first three years of war, in Greater London, 20,000 were killed, out of a population of 8,700,000, or about .002%. The Hamburg raids devastated an area 7 times greater than the area devastated in London. The Danish Consular official's estimate comes from London, and his source of information is not stated.

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---Kahlil Gibran

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FR. OWEN MCCOY, Catholic Chaplain to the British Forces, who did missionary work in this region for 8 years, will speak on missionary activities among local tribes at Bushtown Library tonight at 1900. The lecture is under the auspices of the Guild of St Louis. All are invited.

MEN INTERESTED in radio broadcasting will meet tonight in the SSO at 1900.

CLASSICAL RECORDINGS will be heard in our PX tonight at 1930.

ROCS BEAT THUNDERHEADS, 14-2, Riley allowing but 2 hits for the Weathermen. Duncan Fielders 11, Bush Boys 3, no protests today. Praise the Lord and keep the rule book handy. Sgt De Beck got 3 for which mention should keep him hitless for the next 2 games. TODAY: Wheaton's Headaches vs Parker House Boys; Small Boys vs Bush Leaguers. TOMORROW: Triple Ms v. Bush Boys, umps La Forrest & Mark; Men in White vs Thunderheads, umps Hilton & Gable.

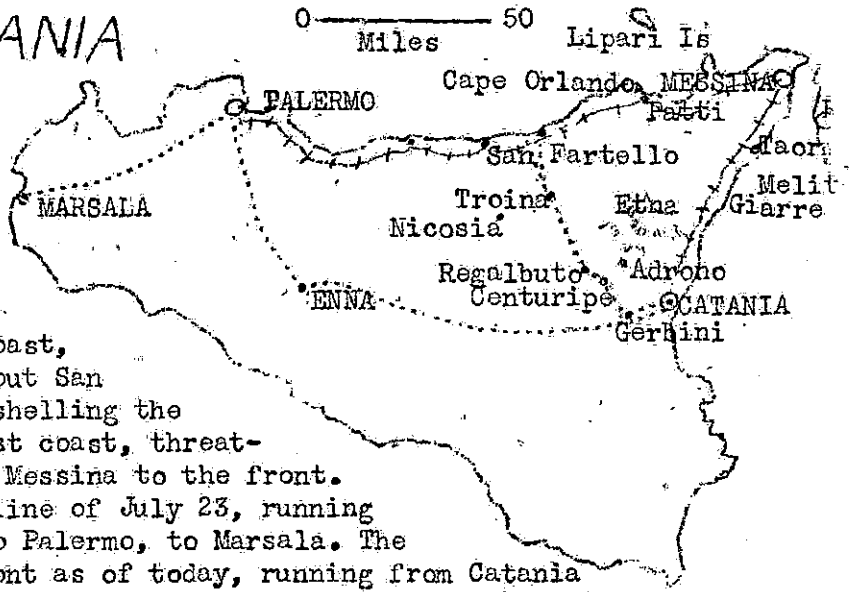
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ALLIES TAKE CATANIA

THE 8TH ARMY ENTERED CATANIA this morning, capturing the eastern anchor of the strong Axis line. Americans were 5 miles outside of Adorno, and the Allies now have a wedge driven into the Axis positions around Mt Etna. Americans made another advance on the north coast, which appears to place them about San Fartello. Allied warships are shelling the roads on the north and northeast coast, threatening Axis communications from Messina to the front.

(The map shows the old battle line of July 23, running from below Catania, to Enna, to Palermo, to Marsala. The upper dotted line shows the front as of today, running from Catania to Gerbini, Centruipe, Regalbuto, Troina, to about S Fartello.) American warships were shelling Cape Orlando, 43 miles from Messina; British destroyers shelled Taormina and Allied warships were patrolling Messina Strait.



ITALY: A special meeting of the Badoglio cabinet was called. The Rome radio began violent attacks on the Allies, and continued defiant in face of Allied requests for surrender. A special commission will investigate the acquisition of wealth and property of all who held political power or offices during the Fascist regime, and it was inferred that this property will be returned to the State...

RUSSIA: The Red Army took Orel, entering that city after it had been held by the Germans for 2 years. Its capture removes Moscow from constant threat and clears the railroad from Orel to Kursk in the south. The Germans jumped off from Orel to push the Kursk salient further to the south, but Russian counterrattacks turned into a Russian offensive. After destroying all materiel and then retreating to better positions, the German radio reports, their forces retired from Orel. The Russians report them falling back to the northwest all along the Orel front, and add that they may have to fall back 75 miles to Bryansk. In the Belgorod sector the Red Army advanced 6 miles, and on the upper Donets they improved their positions southwest of Voroshilovgrad...

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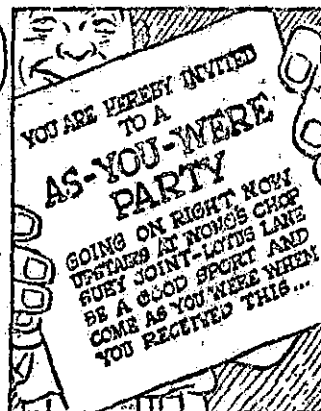
"To endure is greater than to dare."

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SUGGESTIONS FOR NAMES for our theatre are now pouring in: Wog-sy, by Capt Joel H Smith; Roc-House, by Major Charles L Wheaton; O'Neal Theatre, by Major Charles E Black; Rocville Opera House, by Sgt Paul Duncan, Hq; Roc-Chester, by S/Sgt Robert F Board, QM.

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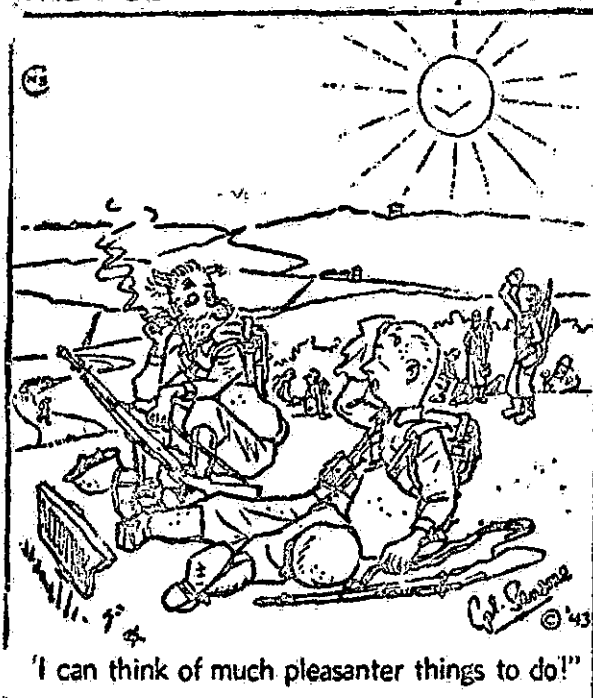
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THE WOLF

by Sansone



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NO LAUNDRY will be picked up on Monday.

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CHANGE OF MOVIE PROGRAM: Rebecca will not be shown here Sunday night. Instead we will see "The Maltese Falcon," with Humphrey Bogart, Sidney Greenstreet and Peter Lorre, who was last seen in Brooklyn trying to dispose of a body.

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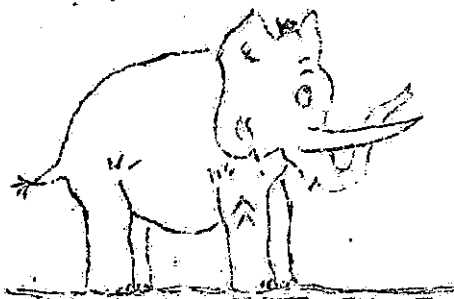
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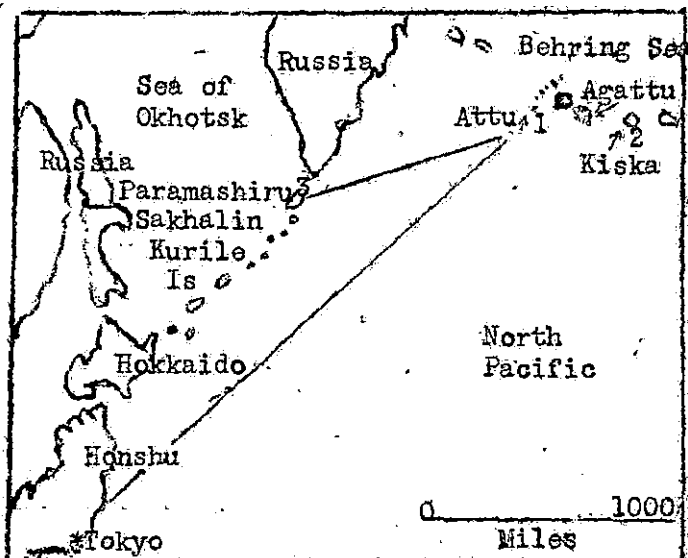
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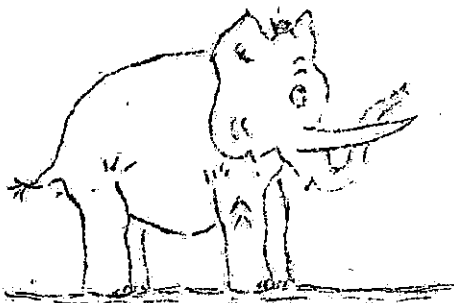
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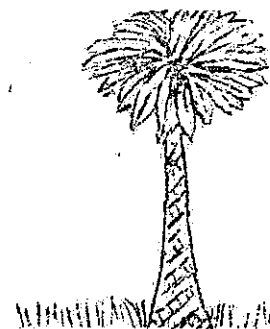
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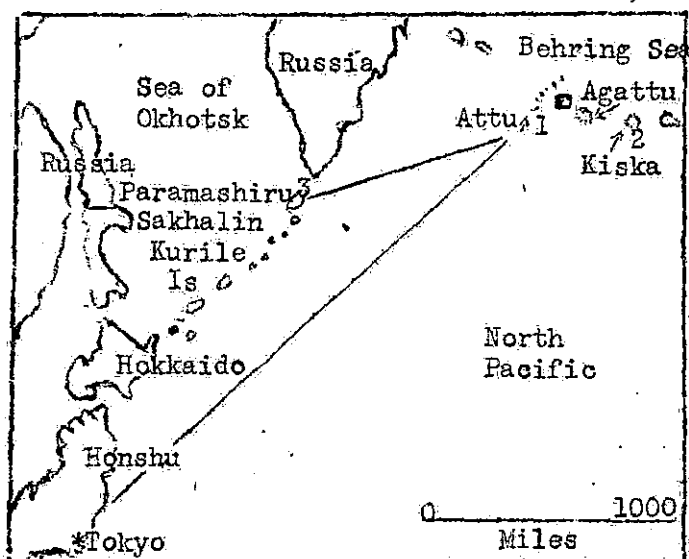
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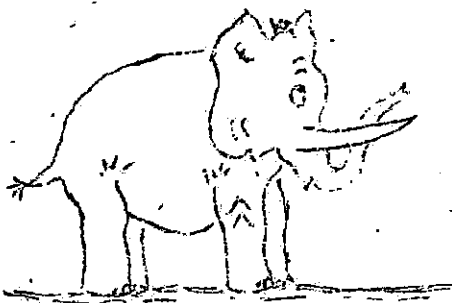
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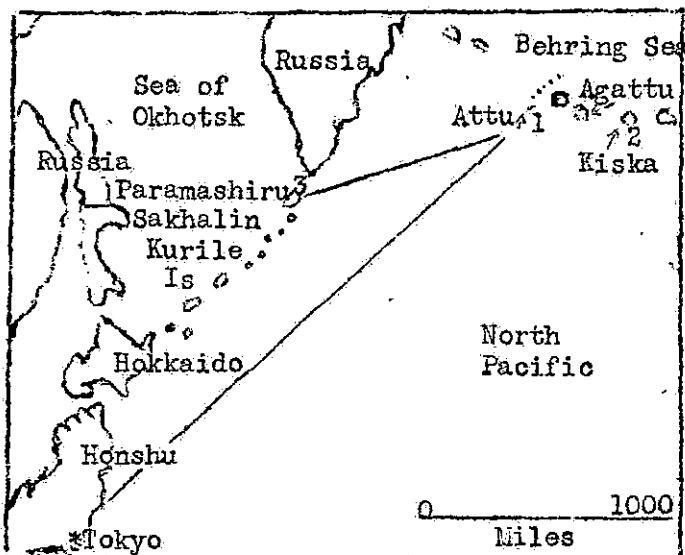
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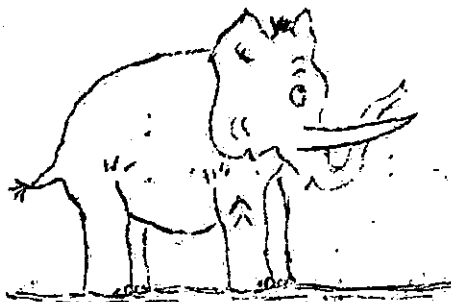
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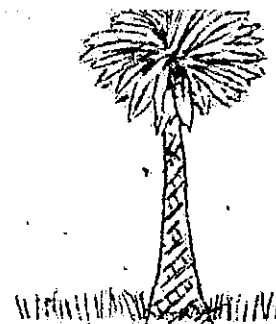
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WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT Little Men who got into our field pack, A bag and B bag, and moved things around to where they weren't supposed to be, others told us we just hadn't packed our things right---until they started to look for things in their baggage. When the Air Forces discovered the devilry done by Gremlins, we knew then that we were right.

THIS REMINISCENCE OF barracks bags days suggests a special event for the track and field meet, if someone will trouble to build a steep, swinging gang plank. The event would run like this: The entrant, in full field equipment, with rifle slung, is to carry an A bag up a steep gang plank while he answers his first name and middle initial to roll call, and while an assortment of Travel Officers, his own officers and his 1st Sgt bellow at him, "Let's go hard."

THE SECOND LAP in the event would be climbing stairs and narrow gangways through a maze of passages against a traffic of what appeared to be thousands of people who wanted to go the way you were coming from. This heavy traffic included the ship's Captain, his 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th mates; all the Engineer Officers; the Steward, the Carpenter and the crew of the Captain's gig.

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LEST WE FORGET: Capt Heads-Up Gangway, the MP Officer who was out to LOSE FRIENDS AND ALIENATE PEOPLE.

SOFTBALL: Wheaton's Headaches vs The Reds at 1630. ****Movie at Bushtown tonight has been changed from Reveille with Beverley to the Tuttles of Tahiti, with Jon Hall, Charles Laughton, and of course, a girl, name unknown, but probably in sarong.

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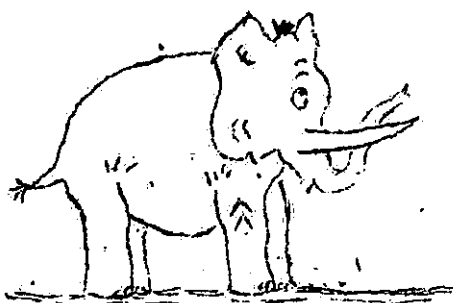
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you needed in your A Bag, and put in your
A bag what you needed in your field pack.
The things you put in your field pack for
use on the train were all in the bottom.

WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT Little Men who got
into our field pack, A bag and B bag, and
moved things around to where they weren't
supposed to be, others told us we just
hadn't packed our things right---until
they started to look for things in their
baggage. When the Air Forces discovered
the devilry done by Gremlins, we knew
then that we were right.

THIS REMINISCENCE OF barracks bags days
suggests a special event for the track
and field meet, if someone will trouble
to build a steep, swinging gang plank. The
event would run like this: The entrant, in
full field equipment, with rifle slung, is
to carry an A bag up a steep gang plank
while he answers his first name and mid-
dle initial to roll call, and while an as-
sessment of Travel Officers, his own off-
icers and his 1st Sgt bellow at him, "Let's
go hard."

THE SECOND LAP in the event would be clim-
bing stairs and narrow gangways through a
maze of passages against a traffic of what
appeared to be thousands of people who
wanted to go the way you were coming from.
This heavy traffic included the ship's
Captain, his 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th mates;
all the Engineer Officers; the Steward,
the Carpenter and the crew of the Captain's
gig.

OFFICIAL

O.D., August 26, 1st Lt Sol M Jonas. O.D.,
August 27, Capt Joel H Smith. O.D. may
be found in Group Headquarters.

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MOVIES: No show in Rocville. Bushtown,
Reveille with Beverley.

A GENERAL PROTESTANT Communion Service
will be held in the Group Chapel at
1900 tonight.

CHOIR REHEARSAL in the Chapel at 1930.

ANOTHER ENTRANT in the Ping Pong tourn-
ament is Pfc Raymond Haber, Rep. Let's
have more entries so that we can start
the tournament onetime. S/Sgt Frank
Campbell says he is in the pink and
doesn't want to go soft.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TOMORROW TO Sgt Burton
A Duke, Hq; Pvt Lee E Williams, Rep 2.
TODAY: S/Sgt Louis E Bradley, Sup 2.

AN ALL BEETHOVEN program of recordings
at the PX tonight at 1930.

THE THIRD LAP in our gangplank derby
is piling into a bunk with your field
equipment and rifle still on your back,
and your A bag around your neck. The
trick was to get yourself and full bag-
gage into one bunk.

THE LAST LAP is sleeping with an A bag
under your bent knees, or between your
legs and your helmet, gas mask and
other items tucked into your ribs,
stomach, small of your back, or swing-
ing overhead.

LEST WE FORGET: Capt Heads-Up Gangway,
the MP Officer who was out to LOSE
FRIENDS AND ALIENATE PEOPLE.

SOFTBALL: Wheaton's Headaches vs The Reds at 1630. ****Movie at Bushtown tonight has been changed from Reveille with Beverley to the Tuttles of Tahiti, with Jon Hall, Charles Laughton, and of course, a girl, name unknown, but probably in sarong.

QUEBEC: The sixth conference held by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill closed at Quebec, with the announcement that the conference had been concerned chiefly with the war against Japan and aid to China. The Conference formulated a policy for treating with the French Committee for National Liberation, (the coalition of all French forces and citizens opposing the Axis) and an announcement on this topic could be expected soon from many governments. The decisions made regarding the Pacific will be communicated to the USSR. Meanwhile a British mission headed by Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Allied Commander of forces in southeast Asia, arrived in Washington for conferences with American military and naval leaders on the SW Pacific strategy...

MEDITERRANEAN: American Liberators attacked Foggia in southern Italy, hitting a railway bridge. 7 enemy planes were shot down. All Allied planes returned safely...An Italian cruiser of the Garibaldi type was left burning when found fleeing from the bombed ports of south Italy...A complete provisional hospital was moved by planes to various points in Sicily, wherever most needed...The Rome Radio announced that the Italian government had asked the Vatican and Swiss government to notify the Allies that Rome is being demilitarized. There was no official word of any messages to this effect from the Vatican or Swiss sources...Rome Radio reported the death of Gen Ettore Nittimuti, but gave no details. He was one of Fascism's early heroes...Two of the world's fastest warships, the French heavy destroyers Le Fantasque and Le Terrible are now in service with the Mediterranean Fleet. They do about 45 knots. They were refitted in the US...

RUSSIA: The Red Army captured Zinkof, about 80 miles west of Kharkov yesterday. It is an important road center and is less than 30 miles from the railway linking Poltava with Kiev...In the South, the Russians continued to gain in their drive south of Izyum along the Mius River, which threatens the German hold on Taganrog

SW PACIFIC: Australians are now a mile from Salamaua airfield on the west, while the Americans have cleared the road to the south...

UNITED STATES: In his 11th report on Lend-Lease affairs, President Roosevelt told Congress that he was appealing to Axis nations to accept unconditional surrender with the assurance of political freedom and economic security. He said that if despotic leaders were overthrown the United Nations would provide food and medicine and help the restoration of the countries in a democratic way. Lend-Lease aid now totals just under 14 billion dollars. Aid to other United Nations alone was more than 1 billion. The total figure is 125 of all US war cost. 50% of Lend-Lease is for munitions; 21% for industrial products; 14% for agricultural products; 15% for shipping and plant facilities in the US...Arthur Farnsworth, 35, husband of screen star Bette Davis is in a critical condition from skull fracture. He was found unconscious on Hollywood Boulevard. The cause of his injury is unknown...Helen Robar, 42, a war worker in a piston ring factory in Baltimore gave birth to her eighth child soon after quitting work. She reported for work as usual at midnight, but plant officials sent her on a 60 day furlough, although she didn't think it was necessary...A super-assembly plant for attack bombers will be built soon in California. It will be managed by Americans, but the workers will be Chinese and Americans of Chinese descent...

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WHAT THE SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT or graduate thinks as a soldier is what the National Education Association would like to know. Chaplain Lewis has asked to draw this inquiry to the attention of high school students or graduates now in the Army. They want answers to these questions:

Do you look upon soldiering as an educational experience or as work?

Do you think Army experience is negative or positive as far as living and post-war values are concerned?

What did you learn in secondary school which made it easy for you to adjust yourself to Army life?

What studies made such adjustment hard?

What do you find in Army life which makes it easy for you to get adjusted to being a GI?

You might answer these questions in a letter or composition, with any enlightening remarks you wish to add. Give them to the Chaplain.

IT'S BEAUTIFUL, Major, but it isn't military: We mean those bright bougainville blossoms decorating Major Roseberry's jeep.

WACTIVITIES, camp paper published by the 2nd WAC Training Center, Daytona Beach, Fla., will soon be seen in our Library. T/5 Marion O'Brien has written for an exchange with WHO DAT. We'll see what can be done about an exchange of some African veterans for some American WACs.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man." ---Mark Twain

SGT MERRIAM and CPL SADDORIS have been stewing over a problem: Suppose a plane could travel at 1,000 mph, and from the tail gun a bullet was fired, with a muzzle velocity of 1,000 mph, aimed in the direction opposite to the direction of the plane. What happens to the bullet and why?

ANOTHER ENTRANT in the Ping Pong Tournament is Cpl Raymond Till, Rep.

O F F I C I A L

O.D., August 30, Capt Jacob K Smith. O.D. August 31, Capt Ray O McKinney. O.D. may be found in Group Headquarters.

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** ** * MOVIES TONIGHT: Cadet Girl, with Carole Lombard, known as the "Ping" girl on the GI circuit. Training Film, Curiosity Killed a Cat. BUSHTOWN: Spitfire.

PARKER HOUSE BOYS play Triple Ms in the first game of the small series, to see which two teams of three competing will go into our fine fine "A" League. The other competitor is Wheaton's Headaches.

LAUNDRY SCHEDULE: Tuesday, Sup, QM and Medics; Wednesday, Rep 2; Thursday, Hq, Serv and Sup 2; Friday, Rep; Saturday, Sup, QM and Medics.

VOTERS, ATTENTION: Those who wish to vote in the fall elections may obtain a ballot by using a postcard request. Your Squadron CO will supply you with the request form.

LOST: GI sun glasses, by 1st Lt Johnson. FOUND: GI reading glasses; 2 fountain pens; dog tags belonging to Joseph S Higgins. Owners please claim at WHO DAT office.

WHO DAT officers eating steak in the Enlisted Men's Mess last night, while the EM feasted on canned willie?

ALL WHO WISH to compete in the marksmanship shoot give their names to their 1st Sgts. An elimination will take place on Friday. Men of this Group will use the Springfield '03. Those winning in the eliminations will have opportunity to practise on the range next week.

SGT OTIS ALBRECHT, who used to be a mail orderly, would like it known by all that he is Message Clerk. He requests all you mail hungry GIs to direct your gripes, insults, curses and queries about mail to his good friend Sgt Bill Loper.

AND WHEN YOU CALL for mail, please give your name and organization.

A NUMBER OF camp newspapers, chiefly from ATC stations, will be found in the Library. WHO DAT's circulation now ranges over the American continent.

Most reports of what happened in Denmark come from Danish sailors and others who reached safety in Sweden, in the last minute flight of anti-Nazis who could leave the country. Martial law was imposed on Denmark after the Nazi authorities demanded the arrest of Danish patriots carrying on sabotage of the German war effort in Denmark. King Christian refused to sign the order imposing martial law, and threatened to abdicate if the Danish government approved the law. Christian is said to be in prison now, and the government, headed by Premier Scavenius, resigned in face of the German demands. Martial law was declared by the Nazi occupying authorities, following hours of fighting between Nazi troops and Danish sailors, Royal Guardsmen and civilians. King Christian ordered the resistance to stop. The entire Danish navy of 60 vessels, mostly small craft, was scuttled, with the exception of one sunk by German planes when it sought to escape. 9 vessels reached Sweden safely before the scuttling. Nazi tank troops are now patrolling the streets of Copenhagen while Nazi planes fly overhead... The German news agency accused Swedish papers of being arrogant and having a provocative attitude of late...

BULGARIA: Sofia, the capital, was reported, according to London, under martial law, with crowds shouting "Peace before it is too late." The German Embassy was reported stoned. The Philoff Cabinet convened in extraordinary session. The six year old son of the late King Boris, Prince Simeon will ascend the throne. German sources continued to deny reports that King Boris had been shot by the Nazis...

RUSSIA: The big port of Taganrog, on the Sea of Azov, held by the Germans for two years, has been evacuated. This is the first break on the extreme southern wing of the German line in many months, and was undoubtedly brought about by the Russian successes at Stalingrad and further north. The Germans left the roads leading to Taganrog and beyond strewn with mines... On the Kharkov front, to the north, the Russians took Lyubotin, breaking through the Nazi lines by storm. ...The rail line linking Bryansk to Kiev was threatened by a Russian advance beyond Seversk... Further north, the Germans say the Soviets have broken through their lines in the region of Smolensk...

ITALY: Liberators of the 9th USAAF took for their target the port of Taranto, on the heel of the Italian boot, and hit the rail station and yards, and damaged a cruiser and another ship in the outer harbor. All planes returned safely... 28 enemy aircraft were shot down in new raids by Allied planes on four Italian rail junctions. More than 100 Fortresses escorted by Lightnings hit railyards at Terni, 50 miles north of Rome. 6 enemy interceptors were shot down, out of 40. Lightnings and Marauders raided Aversa, near Naples and destroyed 12 of 30 Nazi planes. Mitchell medium bombers and Lightnings destroyed 3 planes in a raid on Cancellaro. Light bombers raided La Mezia in southern Italy. Fighter bombers swept the island of Sardinia and destroyed 6 enemy fighters. From all operations 8 Allied planes are missing... From Istanbul came reports that German troops had prevented the arrest of 30 Fascist party officials hiding in the German embassy in Rome. The Berlin radio announced the arrest of several other Fascist leaders including Dr Carlo Ravasio, former Deputy Secretary General of the Party... Pope Pius will broadcast a special message over the Vatican Radio and all Italian stations on September 1 at 1115 GMT...

SW PACIFIC: Americans landed on Arundel Island, northwest of New Georgia at the end of the Kula Gulf, between New Georgia and Kolombangara. Allied forces on New Guinea were forced to give way before Jap counter attacks around Salamaua. Allied aircraft sank 20 enemy barges east of Lae. 3 enemy ships were damaged and 30 more barges were sunk by Allied planes between Wewak and Medang. Heavy bombers raided Dili on Timor and left fires burning...

UNITED STATES: American seal hunters took 117,000 seal skins on the Pribilof Islands north of Dutch Harbor, the past summer; they were within bombing range of the Japs at Kiska... Elissa Landi and Curtis Kinney Thomas, an author, were married at Christ Church, New York...

EUROPE: The USAAF set a new world's record on the twin Regensburg and Schweinfurt raids on August 17 when they shot down 307 Nazi fighters, according to official figures. The previous record for the USAAF was 87 destroyed at Wilhelmshaven and...